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NEXT MEETING.

The next meeting of the Club will be held in the Royal Society's Room, Tasmanian Museum, Hobart, on the 18th May, 1967, commencing at 7.45 p.m.

Prof. W.D. Jackson, lecturer in Botany at the Tasmanian University will speak on "Native Flora".

NEXT OUTING

Mrs. Stephens will lead this outing to "Bowen Park" Risdon. It is hoped to combine the shore line with the bushland on this excursion.

Members and friends wishing to take part on this outing are asked to meet at the Prince Theatre, Macquarie St., at 10.30 a.m. on Saturday, 20th May, 1967... Private transport. Water is available to anyone wishing to boil the billy.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Oh, yes friends, just one small ratter - Subs!! These are now due and could we possibly have a 100% payment by the end of the Financial Year?

Adults	\$2. 50
Juniors	\$1. 00
Married Couples	\$3. 50

Our treasurer will gladly receive these at the May Meeting or payment may be made by post to the above address.

BIRD OBSERVATION GROUP

The next meeting of the above will be on Friday, the 26th May, 1967, in the Wireless Institute Room, 147 Liverpool St., (Fletcher Jones' Building). Mr. J.R. Napier will show slides of Tasmanian Birds. Visitors Welcome.

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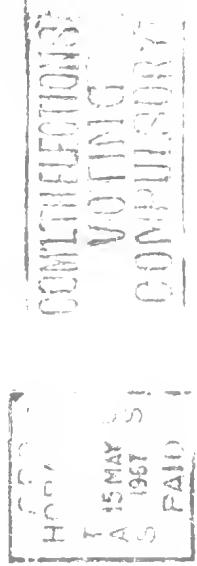
The Division of Wildlife Research, C.S.I.R.O. seeks the co-operation of 'Australian Natural History' readers in its study of the fate of lost homing pigeons, as part of an investigation of the biology of pigeons.

The Division states: "During long-distance races many pigeons fail to return home. Some become exhausted because of bad weather, others meet with an accident or are taken by predators. When one of these birds is found, we would appreciate a letter advising us of the inscription on the leg-band and of the date, time, location and circumstances in which the pigeon was found.

"If the bird is still alive, it should be allowed to rest, feed, and drink whereafter it may continue on its way home. If it fails to survive, or is already dead when found, the band should be attached to the letter.

"We will use the information on the band to trace the owner and to find out from him the pigeon's last point of release. Analysis of the fate of many lost and stray homing pigeons will give us a better understanding of the hazards they face and of the methods they use to navigate."

Annie Cooper
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